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9 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
10 **NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**  
11 **SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION**

12 **IN RE: UBER TECHNOLOGIES, INC.,**  
13 **PASSENGER SEXUAL ASSAULT**  
14 **LITIGATION**

15 **This Document Relates to:**

16 **JANE DOE (J.V.),** an Individual,  
17 *Plaintiff,*

18 vs.

19 **UBER TECHNOLOGIES, INC.** a Delaware  
20 Corporation;  
21 **RASIER, LLC**, a Delaware Limited Liability  
22 Company,  
23 **RASIER-CA, LLC**, a Delaware Limited  
24 Liability Company, and Does 1 through 50,  
25 Inclusive, et al.  
26 *Defendants.*

17 **MDL No. 3:23-md-03084-CRB**

18 **Honorable Charles R. Breyer**

19 **Case No.: 3:24-cv-08622**

20 **MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL  
21 OF RECORD FOR PLAINTIFF J.V.**

22 **MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL OF RECORD**

23 TO ALL PARTIES AND THEIR COUNSEL OF RECORD, PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

24 Nachawati Law Group (“NLG”), counsel of record for Plaintiff J.V. (“Plaintiff”), moves this  
25 Court for an order permitting its withdrawal as counsel for said Plaintiff.

1        This Motion is made pursuant to Local Rule 11-5(a), and in part, California Rules of  
 2 Professional Conduct 1.16(b)(4) and 1.16(d). This Notice of Motion and Motion to Withdraw is based  
 3 on the below Memorandum and accompanying Declaration of Steven S. Schulte, attached as Exhibit  
 4 A, filed contemporaneously. A Proposed Order is attached as Exhibit B.

5        **MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL**

6        Pursuant to Local Civil Rule 11-5(a), Nachawati Law Group (“NLG”) submits this  
 7 Memorandum and Notice/Motion to Withdraw as Counsel for Plaintiff J.V. NLG respectfully  
 8 requests that the Court grant the Motion.

9        **STATEMENT OF FACTS**

10       Plaintiff J.V. is currently represented by NLG. Plaintiff’s claims were filed in the United  
 11 States District Court for the Northern District of California as Case No. 3:24-cv-08622 on December  
 12 2, 2024. Plaintiff’s case was consolidated into the multidistrict litigation *In re: Uber Technologies,*  
 13 *Inc. Passenger Sexual Assault Litigation*, Case No. 3:23-md-03084.

14       NLG has been unable to reach and communicate with Plaintiff. *See* Ex. A, Declaration of  
 15 Steven S. Schulte (“Schulte Decl.”) at ¶ 3. NLG has made numerous, ongoing attempts to contact  
 16 Plaintiff via phone, email, correspondence, and text, about the need to respond and communicate with  
 17 our firm about the case, to no avail. Schulte Decl. ¶ 4(a)-(b). NLG has been unable to identify or  
 18 locate any better contact information for Plaintiff. *Id.*

19       In our firm’s latest correspondence to Plaintiff in mid-August 2025, sent via fed ex, NLG  
 20 informed Plaintiff of its intention to withdraw in light of non-responsiveness and lack of  
 21 communication. Schulte Decl. ¶ 4(b). Since then and as of this filing’s date, Plaintiff has not  
 22 responded or otherwise contacted or communicated with NLG. Schulte Decl. ¶ 5. NLG thus remains  
 23 counsel of record for Plaintiff, while it also remains unable to reach or communicate with Plaintiff.

24       **ARGUMENT**

25       NLG should respectfully be permitted to withdraw as counsel for Plaintiff. An attorney may  
 26 withdraw from a case by obtaining an order from the Court after reasonable advance written notice  
 27 has been provided to the client and to all other parties. Civ. L.R. 11-5(a). Attorneys practicing before

1 this Court are required to adhere to the California Rules of Professional Conduct. Civ. L.R. 11-  
2 4(a)(1). Under those rules, a “lawyer shall not terminate a representation until the lawyer has taken  
3 reasonable steps to avoid reasonably foreseeable prejudice to the rights of the client.” Cal. Rules.  
4 Prof. Conduct 1.16(d)(1). NLG has given appropriate advance notice of its intent to withdraw to  
5 Plaintiff. Schulte Decl. ¶ 4(a)-(b). NLG has taken all steps possible to avoid prejudice to Plaintiff.  
6 Schulte Decl. ¶ 6.

7       Under California Rule of Professional Conduct 1.16(b)(4), a lawyer may withdraw from a  
8 case if “the client . . . renders it unreasonably difficult for the lawyer to carry out the representation  
9 effectively.” Here, Plaintiff has failed to communicate with NLG or otherwise be responsive and  
10 provide certain information required to prosecute the case. Schulte Decl. ¶¶ 2-3. NLG has been  
11 unable or will continue to be unable to meet deadlines or effectively prosecute the case because of  
12 this non-responsiveness and inability to communicate; Plaintiff’s conduct thus falls into the express  
13 terms of Rule 1.16 regarding permissive withdrawal.

14 Because this Motion is not accompanied by a substitution of counsel or an agreement by  
15 Plaintiff to proceed *pro se*, NLG will agree to the condition imposed by Civ. L.R. 11-5(b) to serve  
16 Plaintiff with all papers in this matter, unless or until Plaintiff appears *pro se*, other counsel appears  
17 on Plaintiff's behalf, or upon further order of the Court. *See* Schulte Decl. ¶ 7.

## CONCLUSION

19 NLG respectfully requests that the Court enter an order terminating it and its lawyers from any  
20 further responsibility for the representation of Plaintiff J.V. and to allow ample opportunity and time  
21 to Plaintiff to retain new counsel.

22 | Dated: August 26, 2025

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/s./ *Steven S. Schulte*

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